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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official  
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

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Date: Tue, 16 Nov 1993 23:48:59 GMT  
From: news.Hawaii.Edu!uhunix3.uhcc.Hawaii.Edu!jherman@ames.arpa  
Subject: CENSORSHIP WARNING  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

This notice is to warn all net posters that within our elements is a  
small group that is attempting to practice censorship; if they do not  
agree with your viewpoint, they will contact your postmaster to

complain that you are intentionally attempting to create animosity on the net or that your article has no relation to the newsgroup topic.

One person has done this to me [re: BARF = Bestiality Amateur Radio Fraternity, which was my tongue-in-check response to the Lambda gay radio club {BTW, my postmaster thought the BARF article was funny}]; now, someone else, who has been posting articles on .policy in which some have found a little offensive, has been reported to his postmaster [which is funny, since he is the postmaster of the system he posts from!].

So, my friends, beware! There is no absolute freedom of speech on .misc and .policy. These folks will decide when you've crossed the line [which they themselves have drawn] as to what's ``proper'' and what's not. [And they're doing this from their corporate accounts on company time; hmmm, I wonder if their employers realize this....]

Jeff NH6IL (ex: WA6QIJ)

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Date: 18 Nov 1993 15:58:21 -0500  
From: news.sprintlink.net!clark.net!clark.net!not-for-mail@uunet.uu.net  
Subject: CW QSO's, New hams who need practice read this!!  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

saswel@unx.sas.COM (Warren E. Lewis) writes:

>>Jeff Jones (jeffj@seeker.mystic.com) wrote:  
>>: >After reading a bit I realized that hams who just passed their 5 wpm  
>>: >code test are nervous about making their first CW contacts on the air  
>>: >(I was!). If you just passed, working on upgrading or need your first  
>>: >CW contact please send me some email and I'll be more than happy to work  
>>: >you. It will be nice and easy with no pressure on you to be perfect. I will  
>>: >work with you and resend as many times as you need until you get it. So if  
>>: >you have been scared to get on the air using CW this is your chance! Let  
>>: >me know what time and frequency and let's do it! 73!  
>>

>Ditto

>Even though my code copying speed is only around 10wpm I too am willing  
>to help anybody that is struggling to get on and make their first CW  
>contact!! I remember my first one, which was only about 7 months ago.  
>I have had the bug ever since!!

>Just send me email and we can work out a sched.

> Young CW fanatic - Warren (KD4YRN)

Well, I got my no-code license in the mail the same day I passed my 5WPM code exam. There are two things holding me up from my first contact (which will be via code &^) )

- 1) I need to tune an antenna up
- 2) Even more important than the first, I need to finish my MS Thesis &^)

But I will get there from here !!!

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John A. Evans, Capt, USAF  
VHDL/EDA Engineer  
N3Q00 Tech Plus !!!

"My number one goal as a  
runner is to live long enough  
to place in my age group!!!"

jaevans@clark.net

Linux - the OS of choice !!

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Once data encryption is outlawed, only outlaws will have data encryption !!!  
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Date: 16 Nov 1993 00:31:29 GMT  
From: usc!howland.reston.ans.net!gatech!news-feed-2.peachnet.edu!concert!  
inxs.concert.net!rock.concert.net!mikewood@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: DSP units  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

The best one for the money IMHO is the Timewave DSP-9. For \$169.95 it does everything the NIR-10 (\$349.95) does. It uses a row of pushbuttons to select combinations of modes. It has just the right combinations of bells and whistles for both cw and ssb operation: Noise reduction, mulitple tone removal (auto-notches), high pass filters, and cw narrow bandpass filters 100/200/500 Hz.

I've owned the DSP-9, NIR-10, NIR-7, and W9GR filters. Still have the DSP9 and DSP59.

73, NT40  
/exit  
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Date: 16 Nov 93 07:28:54 EDT  
From: munnari.oz.au!spool.mu.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!news.ans.net!  
malgudi.oar.net!mercury.wright.edu!desire.wright.edu!matrix.cs.wright.edu!  
isoper@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Elmers are Dead, etc.  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Chris,

I was out in Ogden UT back in June for a week on Govt. Business. I took my 2 meter Handheld with me. I ran into the same problem as you, no one would talk to me either. I happen to be on of those "old timers" (got my license in 1968) with advanced class license. What both of us have experienced is the fact most Hams tend to be cliquish, that is they dont talk with people they are unfamiliar with. I know this is a very broad generalization but, this statement made from the experience of having to live in cities other the one in which I spent most of life.

As a interesting side note I was living in the Northern Va area of Washington DC metro, while talking to a friend of mine from work KD4DN, we were told "Get the hell off this repeater" by some unkown person. So dont feel to bad about being ignored, the DC area has more obnoxious Ham per capita.

73, Wes WB8CEH

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Date: Tue, 16 Nov 1993 02:26:32 GMT  
From: munnari.oz.au!spool.mu.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!  
moe.ksu.ksu.edu!hobbes.physics.uiowa.edu!news.uiowa.edu!icaen!  
drenze@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Elmers are dead, god help us HAMS!  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

levin@cosmic.physics.utah.edu (Chris Levin) writes:

>Hello,  
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>This letter is addressed to the group as a whole but particularly towards  
>Gary McDuffie.  
>  
>Gary reciently replied to the following letter:  
>  
> (From Doug N0YVW)  
>  
> Question: Now what? I don't have a clue about what the controls  
> on the front of my trusty old HW-101 do (whats a final? What's a

> Driver Preselector) How do I regulate my power output? In short,  
> what in the world do I do?  
>  
> Etcetera.....  
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>Gary's less than helpful reply was:  
>  
> Now, if that doesn't say something about the current licensing  
> situation, nothing will.  
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>  
>Now, before I give my response I want you all to know that it is  
>not my intention to start a flame war nor to beat on Gary any  
>more than I feel he deserves. However, I have read and listened  
>to too many responses of this type from people who claim to be  
>HAMS. (By this I mean that a true HAM is not just someone with a  
>ticket.) I have finally reached the end of my rope so its time to  
>respond!  
>

Actually, for those who've been hammering on Gary, I'd advise that you take another look at his comment in light of the plethora of advice and wit he makes available on the net (yes, I'm serious, folks). I've posted many questions to the net, and in most cases, somewhere along the line I end up with an explanation from Gary which usually ends up among the clearest and most concise explanations I come across...including this particular question, which he responded to on the info-hams newslst where some kind soul cross-posted it for me...and which he later reposted to this group.

>Old hams helping new hams, Yea right. First of all, most of you  
>old hams don't even bother to respond to a call you don't know.  
>Do you have any idea how frustrating it is to call KB7YOU monitoring,  
>get no reply and then 30 seconds later hear one of you old farts jump  
>on and start talking to a fellow geriatric case? It happens way to  
>often for me to believe that you just happened to turn on your radio 20  
>seconds after I stop calling. Well, after having this happen lots  
>of times on repeaters and U/Vhf simplex, I decided to jump into HF.  
>

Ever tried joining a net? My first rig was a 2-meter handheld. The day I got my license, I ran inside and grabbed it, and called, "N0YVW listening." Nada. I was at it most of the day, and getting depressed. I went for a drive that night to get into some other repeater areas. Same thing. I was getting ready to come home, when on the repeater I happened to be monitoring, I heard, "QST all Linn County Hams for the CVARC Monday Night Net. This net meets every Monday Night at 8:30 on the CVARC 146.745/145 repeater. Net Control this

evening is WBOULO, Russ..." When it came time to log in to the net, I managed to squeak, "N0YVW...err, make that N0YVW, Doug, from Iowa City." And he came back to me! "Net recognizes N0YVW, Doug from Iowa City. That sounds like a pretty new call." He noticed!

"Ticket just came in the mail today."

"Well, then, welcome to Amateur Radio, Doug! I hope you enjoy it as much as I do!"

That was a great welcome, as far as I'm concerned. Made up to me for what I got locally.

Care to know some of my secrets for getting people to come back to me? Listen to them talk about their interests, what they do, whether they work on the repeater or are always putting up antennas. Then, when you have a question about their area of interest, give them a call! For example, One local ham, KA0CNN, is an avid DXer, always going to antenna parties, and is involved with maintaining the local repeater. One day, I was soldering some coax connectors and just couldn't quite get it right. I heard him call, "KA0CNN mobile monitoring." So I came back with, "KA0CNN KA0CNN, this is N0YVW, do you have time to answer a quick question?" Yes, he did, he told me where to find the info I needed, and even offered to drop by a photocopy of it. I've done the same with other things--posted requests for info to the sunday and monday night nets and gotten answers back, come back with answers myself, etc. I've gotten good results. I'm still not on the "in" crowd, but people recognize my call and come back to me some, I come back to them and don't feel squeamish about it.

>I've got my code down and I'm looking forward to the test not so  
>I can talk to any of you but simply to prove that a young, stupid,  
>Nintendo playing no code can enter your glorified world of HF. If  
>anything HF is worse. You flip on your kilowatt powered xcivers,  
>and blow apart the airwaves do discuss the state of your bowels with  
>a friend two states away. You can't even here me over your self  
>generated noise. Not that you would respond if you could.  
>

You've obviously got a lot of hostility toward the OT's. I'm trying to pass my general, too (I'm Tech/Hf now), and hope to upgrade this Saturday. But not to prove anything to anybody other than myself, and if I don't manage to pass the code, that's cool, too. There's always next month (and at the rate those last few WPM are coming, it might \*be\* next month. \*grin\*).

But if you want to talk about frustrations, drop me some e-mail. We can swap stories.

>Gary, would you care to explain to me what is wrong with Dougs request  
>for help???  
>

The only thing I read into what he wrote about what's wrong with my request

was an indictment of the system that makes you memorize all this kipple that can be looked up on a table for the exams (coax cable types, etc) rather than requiring you to learn \*useful\* things, such as operating procedure. Correct me if I'm wrong, Gary. Anyway, that can be read multiple ways, too--such as, "Look at what we've got when we have people willing to admit their ignorance so they can learn more!" :-)

>PS: Doug, If you are still out there and have not figured these  
>things out. Email me and I'll share with you the stuff I've  
>learned so far. I think I can answer most of your questions.  
>

Thanx, I'd enjoy corresponding with you (truly).

>PPS: Welcome to the hobby, such as it is.  
>

Thank you again! :-)

73, Doug

PS, care to know my experience? "ELMERS AREN'T DEAD, THEY'VE JUST ALL MOVED TO THE INTERNET!" I've come across so many people willing to give me advice: Gary Coffman, klauder@pica.army.mil, Jim Kerman (KR1S, the guy who writes for QST), and so many others in places ranging from Canada to Finland (yes! I got the CERT info in the mail, but can't find your e-mail address! Tnx.). Good places to check out: here, qrp@think.com (an excellent place!), info-hams@ucsd.edu, boatanchors@gnu.ai.mit.edu (I think), just to name a few.

Peace, es 73 -- Keep looking! bad experience locally doesn't mean bad all over.

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__ /| | Douglas J Renze, N0YVW |  
\ 'o.O' | +1 319 337 4664 |  
=(___)= | drenze@icaen.uiowa.edu |  
U | Douglas-Renze@uiowa.edu |  
  
IN GOD WE TRUST  
All Others Pay Cash
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Date: 16 Nov 1993 16:29:56 GMT  
From: korie!newscast.West.Sun.COM!news2me.EBay.Sun.COM!cronkite.Central.Sun.COM!  
webrider!doc@ames.arpa  
Subject: FCC Running in High Gear: ~40 days for N9  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article Krn@mentor.cc.purdue.edu, blumb@sage.cc.purdue.edu (Bill Blum) writes:

> Well, I took the test on 10/3...  
> and got my license today, 11/15. (Effective date 11/09).  
>  
> Sure beats the 12 week wait times I was reading about this summer while  
> studying for the exams.  
>  
>  
> 73 de N9VLS

Looks like they processed us on the same day! Test taken 9/25 (plus a week for mailing in due to a mistake on the form) License received 11/12 (also effective date 11/9). Congrats to you and perhaps we'll meet on the airwaves!

73 de N9VLP

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-- Steve Bunis, Sun Microsystems \*\*\*DoD #0795\*\*\* 93-ST1100  
-- Itasca, IL \*\*\*AMA #682049\*\*\*  
-- \*\*\*HRCA #HM125617\*\*  
-- \*\*\* N9VLP \*\*\*

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Date: Tue, 16 Nov 1993 00:34:50 GMT  
From: mentor.cc.purdue.edu!sage.cc.purdue.edu!blumb@purdue.edu  
Subject: FCC Running in High Gear: ~40 days for N9VLS  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Well, I took the test on 10/3...  
and got my license today, 11/15. (Effective date 11/09).

Sure beats the 12 week wait times I was reading about this summer while studying for the exams.

73 de N9VLS

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Bill Blum blumb@sage.cc.purdue.edu Purdue University, W. Lafayette, IN  
Reality is for those who can't handle subscribing to IASFM and Model Railroader

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Date: 17 Nov 93 18:22:09 GMT  
From: ogicse!emory!dragon!nj8j!ben@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Gary bashing ---> crossed wires  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu



ehare@arrl.org (Ed Hare - KA1CV) writes:

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> In rec.radio.amateur.misc, MOWE%SLUMUS.BITNET@CUNYVM.CUNY.EDU (Michael Owen)
>
> >Several individuals have pointed out to me that I have
> >my Garys confused.  Guess I shoulda kept my mouth shut.
> >-sigh-
>
> Yeah, but some of us well-known newsgroup types joined you in your
> confusion. :-). I had just assumed that I missed the original
> post, and when I saw Gary Coffman . . .
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I suspect it's because we're so used to seeing GC's posts end with a lone

Gary

at the bottom. Usually, it's fairly distinctive, but in this case, the other Gary 'signed' the same way, and we all, Pavlovian-like, assumed it was GC.

Ben

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| Ben Coleman NJ8J          | "All that is not eternal is   |
| AX.25:  NJ8J@W4QO.#EAL.#ATL.GA.USA.NA | eternally out of date." |
| Internet: ben@nj8j.atl.ga.us          | C. S. Lewis |
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Date: 18 Nov 93 11:34:40 GMT

From: ogicse!uwm.edu!cs.utexas.edu!math.ohio-state.edu!magnus.acs.ohio-state.edu!  
daldridg@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Icom 24AT and 2AT STOLEN

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Hi all. I just wanted you all to know that 2 of my radios were stolen. If you see them, give me a call at (614)341-0050. This is my pager; just enter your number at the prompt (with area code, please). Here is what was stolen:

Icom 24AT S/N 12176

Icom 2AT S/N 91971

Polaris Speaker/Mic, White WITH ADDED SWITCH ON BACK (small,red/grey slide)

A lot of other stuff went with this stuff, but none of it is IDable. (Would you believe they got my jump kit, stethoscope, and a lot of other non-marketable stuff?) Geez...

Thanks folks.

73's

David A. Aldridge KB8EQO, NREMT-A, NAEMD, CPR Instructor

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Date: 16 Nov 1993 16:27:52 GMT  
From: library.ucla.edu!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!howland.reston.ans.net!  
vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!sdd.hp.com!col.hp.com!derekt@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Mitrek channel element schematic needed  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I recently had a Mitrek transmitter channel element (KXN1088A) re-crystalled and have been having trouble with it meeting the Motorola temperature compensation specification. The company that re-crystalled it has re-worked it once and improved it by a factor of 2 but by my measurements its still just out side the specification.

This has started me wondering about the channel element circuitry and the compensation network. Does anyone out there have a schematic of the element and/or some input on the temperature compensation? Motorola says they consider the element a non-repairable component and therefore don't have a manual.

Derek Toeppen  
WA0ZTI  
derekt@col.hp.com

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Date: 18 Nov 93 10:09:00 GMT  
From: ogicse!uwm.edu!spool.mu.edu!bloom-beacon.mit.edu!noc.near.net!  
news.delphi.com!gilbaronw@mn@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Mods for Yaesu FT-530  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>  
>I am thinking of buying the Yaesu FT-530 dual-band hand held.  
>Does anyone know of any modifications for this radio?  
>In particular, I was wondering if the receive bandwidth could  
>be increased like on some of the Icom handhelds.

Many mods are available. You can extend rx to 950mhz including cellular. You will also be able to go down to the aircraft band. It is an easy task of soldering 1 pad to get extended rx and xmit or two to get rx only. I say easy but actually if you do not have VERY good eyes and a magnifying glas it is quite a job. If you don't do it yourself they are charging over 100 to do it at hmafest so think about this. It is a ripoff but it does save you from destroying your radio.

Gil Baron, El Baron Rojo, WOMN Rochester, MN  
"Bailar es Vivir"  
PGP2.X key at key servers or upon request

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Date: Tue, 16 Nov 1993 01:16:40 GMT  
From: cs.yale.edu!ccsua.ctstateu.edu!white@yale.arp  
Subject: Multipel Yagis on a single mast  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

According to the latest edition of the ARRL Antenna manual,  
an acceptable separation for multible Yagis on a single mast is  
1/2 the beam length of the upper, smaller antenna.

73s  
Harry

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Date: Mon, 15 Nov 1993 23:59:20 GMT  
From: spsgate!mogate!newsgate!hofbrau.sps.mot.com!a229aa@uunet.uu.net  
Subject: qsl to 6W6/F50WB?  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

wasn't paying attention this morning...  
anybody got the qsl info for this dxpedition???

* Chris Terwilliger, AA7WD	a229aa@email.sps.mot.com *
* Motorola	"And now, *
* Phoenix Corporate Research Labs	the sequence of events, *
* 2100 E. Elliot Rd. EL508	in no particular order." *
* Tempe, AZ 85284	- Dan Rather *

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Date: Wed, 17 Nov 93 23:30:24 PST  
From: news.sprintlink.net!crash!slic!mikey@uunet.uu.net  
Subject: Using modified HT in emergency  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

nimtz.1@nd.edu (Rick Nimtz) wrote in part:

> Last night on the RACES/ARES net someone read an article about a ham that  
> used his HT to contact the sheriff department to summon help for his  
> injured friend. They were hiking or something like that in a remote area.

> It seems that his friend had fallen and was badly injured.  
>  
> Is this a case where the sheriff department's nose is out of  
> joint or what? Is it just an urban legend that a person can use any  
> radio or frequency to summon aid in life threatening emergency? Or is it  
> permissible in the FCC's eyes but not permissible to the county mounties?

What the article failed to mention was that shortly thereafter,  
another individual did a similar contact to the SO. However,  
this was done on a primary channel, with no emergency pending,  
and without the professionalism of the hapless ham. The SO was  
miffed (rightfully) and actively began the effort to hammer the  
latter. It was then that the former's situation came to light  
officially. Well, it was a much too similar situation and  
occurred too close (in time). So, the hammer fell on both.

I could easily be in the same position some day. I have the SO  
freqs in my Ham HT, I use SO radios and work, and have a call  
sign for the SO to boot. I would do the same thing if placed  
into a similar position as this helpful ham. I would hope to not  
have another idiot come along to gum up the works if I were  
compelled to perform in a similar circumstance.

-- Mike Shirley San Diego, CA USA HAM:WB6WUI  
mikey@slc.cts.com guaranteed: mikey@crash.cts.com  
mikey-pkey@slc.cts.com will send you my PGP Public Key  
pgp-info@slc.cts.com will send you info on PGP

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Date: Thu, 18 Nov 93 00:01:48 PST  
From: news.sprintlink.net!crash!slc!mikey@uunet.uu.net  
Subject: Using modified HT in emergency  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

bodoh@dgg.cr.usgs.gov (Tom Bodoh) writes:

> The shreriff's department probably knows nothing of amateur radio and they  
> apparently felt that confiscation was necessary - even if they personally  
> agreed with what he did. Whether or not the FCC will support him is the  
> real issue here. When studying for my Tech license, one of the study  
> questions emphasized that in an emergency, anything goes. I am not sure  
> whether this is addressed in part 97 or how much is left for interpretation.

They knew well of HAM radio. The SO sponsors RACES locally and  
has a number of key sworn deputies who are hams. Unfortunately,  
timing of events coupled with his full cooperation, worked  
against him. Naturally, not everyone in the SO were pleased with

the way this ham was treated.

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> I hope that the FCC supports him on this and sees to it that the radio is  
> returned. They may ask him to 'unmodify' his radio. If he is not supported  
> by the FCC, is fined and demands a trial, I don't see how a jury (or even a  
> reasonable judge) could convict him. This is all assuming that all facts  
> are supportable and it can be shown that he had tried all other avenues of  
> communication...

He "voluntarily" gave up his radio to the SO. I think that the  
in the other incident, that guy had his transceiver confiscated  
and was to pay a fine or that the FCC action was pending. Not  
sure about this but I know that more severe action was taken on  
the second incident. Again, timing was a key ingredient.

-- Mike Shirley San Diego, CA USA HAM:WB6WUI  
mikey@slc.cts.com guaranteed: mikey@crash.cts.com  
mikey-pkey@slc.cts.com will send you my PGP Public Key  
pgp-info@slc.cts.com will send you info on PGP

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Date: 19 Nov 93 03:09:01 GMT  
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu  
Subject: What is RATT ?  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>Kevin Anderson, kb9iua, asks:  
>  
>Is RATT another way to talk about RTTY (and derivative) modes?  
>Does it stand for "radio amateur teletype" by any chance

Depends on who you want to listen to. Some say that one  
was the Navy's way of saying radio teletype and the other  
was the rest of DoD's way.

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Date: Tue, 16 Nov 1993 01:50:16 GMT  
From: munnari.oz.au!spool.mu.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!  
moe.ksu.ksu.edu!hobbes.physics.uiowa.edu!news.uiowa.edu!icaen!  
drenze@network.ucsd.edu  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <1993Nov13.003516.27888@icaen.uiowa.edu>, <2c46b1\$h14@crcnis1.unl.edu>,  
<9f0G02jB56Zo01@JUTS.ccc.amdahl.com>es.p  
Subject : Re: What do I do now/

arl00@juts.ccc.amdahl.com (Arlan R Levitan) writes:

>In article <2c46b1\$hl4@circnis1.unl.edu> mcduffie@unlinfo.unl.edu (Gary McDuffie Sr) writes:

>>drenze@icaen.uiowa.edu (Douglas J Renze) writes:

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>>> The manual doesn't give me any help, and I don't seem to be able to

>>>find anything which tells me just how to tweak everything and get on the air!!!

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>>>Any help?

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>>>Peace es 73,

>>

>>>Doug NOYVW

>>

>>Now, if that doesn't say something about the current licensing

>>situation, nothing will.

>>

>>Gary

>Gary,

>I would suggest you consider turning your ticket in and hanging out on

>CB for the next ten years, where attitudes such as yours constitute

>acceptable behavior.

>Cut the kid some slack, bud, and look up the concept of "Elmering" in

>the books on your shelves. Even doing nothing more than suggesting

>that Doug pick up a copy of the '94 ARRL Handbook and do some reading

>is vastly preferable to your boorish comment.

>I suggest pounder apology is in order

Actually (and I'm the one who posted the original question), I have to defend Gary. Both here and in another forum where some kind soul cross-posted my question, he's the one who provided the most comprehensive answer, and he's helped me in the past with other questions. \*shrug\* -- just my \$0.02.

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Subject : Re: Miss Manners in the Novice Sub-bands?

In article <1993Nov17.034311.24091@ke4zv.atl.ga.us> Gary Coffman,  
gary@ke4zv.atl.ga.us writes:  
>I'm assuming you couldn't copy their calls Doug, so I'm asking this  
>as a rhetorical question. Are you sure they \*weren't\* Novices? Some  
>people have a natural talent for high speed Morse, and little interest

Another possibilty is that the were novices doing high speed code  
electronically with computers. Novices can't operate the digital modes  
except on 10 meters and up, limited to only cw on 80/40/15. But there is  
nothing that says they can't use the same computer/hardware they would  
use on rtty on 10 to do automated cw on 80 if that band suits their need.

Automated cw usually is poor on a human fist, but I had a very nice 40  
wpm cw contact with 99 percent copy the other night keyboard to keyboard  
(below the novice band, we were both general and up). I've recommended  
this mode to novices out of our classes who were mostly interested in  
computers and stuff. With good modems FSK has real advantages, but for a  
lot of the cheapie modems there doesn't seem to be a whole lot of  
difference in the performace between auto cw and rtty (the arq modes like  
amtorg/pactor are clearly better). 40 wpm is about as fast as I can type,  
and the duty cycle is a little easier on the rig than full keydown rtty.  
At 50 wpm, my rig starts to lose it, it slurs the dots! :-)

For a pair of hams living far enough apart to need HF propagation to  
communicate, and who don't have the skills currently to do fast cw,  
computer augmented cw (oooooh, a new buzzword! :-) would give them good  
capabilty to keep in touch. MIGHT abort their fledgling cw skills, might  
help them along. But it would work.

73 de Kevin (who likes cw either way, and most any other mode to boot)  
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